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Minerals Inspection Report

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Report Date: 8/24/2016 Mine Name: Nielson Limestone Mine Permit Number: S/49/0052 Mine Status: Active Operator Name: Nielson Construction Inspection Date: 8/23/2016 Permit Fees: Paid Inspector(s): A. Abate Inspection Time: 10:30 AM **Bond Amount:** \$55,100 Attendee(s): Wayne McCandless, Operator Weather: Clear 80s **Bond Escalation:** 9/7/2015 Inspection Purpose: Routine Inspection **Prior Inspection:**

Conclusions and Recommendations

Nielson is interested in keeping the permit under 10 acres as a small mine. The operator has recently had the site sprayed for noxious weeds to control the amount of musk thistle on the mine property. Weed control appears to be effective with only very minor amounts of musk thistle present on the permit area. Will continue to monitor the revegetation efforts for the west side reclaimed area to determine if the Russian Thistle has died off.

	Elements of Inspection	Evaluated & Commented	Enforcement				
1.	Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds		П				
	Nielson Construction was recently acquired by Staker Parsons Company. As a result, the permit is currently in the process of transferring over to Staker and a replacement surety bond is currently in the works.						
2.	Public Safety (shafts, adits, trash, signs, highwalls)						
3.	Protection of Drainages/Erosion Control						
	Culvert near the gate was inspected. A small amount of sediment was spilling out on the could easily pass through.	west side but otherwise it was o	clear and water				
4.	Deleterious Material						
	None present						
5.	Roads (maintenance, surfacing, dust control, safety)						
	The dirt road into the mine was properly maintained.						
6.	Reclamation						
	West side of mine has been ripped and seeded in the fall of 2015. The three acres that were reclaimed on the west side of the permit area was completly covered in Russian Thistle. Although this is not ideal, Russian thistle acts as a nurse crop to control erosion and will eventually die off allowing the native vegetation in the seed mix to take hold.						
7.	Backfilling/Grading (trenches, pits, roads, highwalls, shafts)		П				
8.	Soils						
9.	Revegetation						
	Continue to monitor the revegetation efforts for the west side reclaimed area to determine if the Russian Thistle has died off.						
10.	Other						

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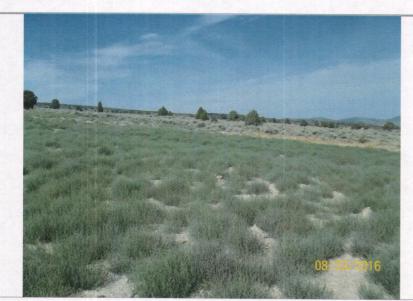
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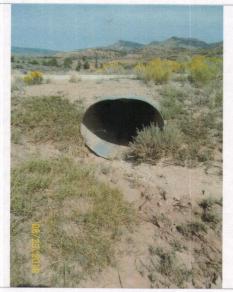
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Western portion of the mine dominated by Russian Thistle



Minor amounts of musk thistle were observed.



Culvert near the entrance was clear.



Overview of the mine site looking east.



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Nielson Limestone Pit located off Emma Park Road off of Highway 6 along the Utah/Carbon County border. The western portion of the permit area was ripped and seeded in 2015 to keep the permit under 10 acres.

